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LOUISVILLE COCAINE DEALER PLEADS GUILTY

- Attempted to pay \$21,000 for 2 kilos in undercover buy

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that on November 13, 2006, **ANTHONY DRAKE**, age 39, of 833 S. Jackson Street, Louisville, Kentucky, in Jefferson County, **plead guilty** to conspiring to distribute cocaine in and around Louisville.

Drake faces a maximum sentence of life imprisonment, a \$4,000,000 fine and up to life on supervised release. **Drake** is facing a mandatory minimum prison sentence of 10 years and a mandatory minimum supervised release period of 5 years. **Drake** is not eligible for probation, and there is no parole in the federal judicial system.

On April 19, 2006, five kilograms of cocaine were sent from Atlanta heading to Louisville, Kentucky. The transporter was intercepted in Tennessee. The transporter agreed to continue the delivery to Louisville. The transporter was supposed to deliver three kilograms of cocaine to **Drake** and two kilograms of cocaine to **Wesley Bonner**, a co-defendant in this case. On April 19, 2006, the transporter went to 28th and Virginia in Louisville to make the deliver to **Bonner**. **Bonner** came

out of 2815 Virginia Avenue with approximately \$21,000 that he intended to pay for the two

kilograms of cocaine. He was arrested by the Drug Enforcement Agency. **Drake** was subsequently

arrested and admitted that he conspired with others to distribute over five kilograms of cocaine in

and around Louisville.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Brian Butler, and it was

investigated by the Drug Enforcement Agency Task Force.

Drake is scheduled to be sentenced in United States District Court in Louisville, Kentucky

by the Honorable Jennifer Coffman on January 11, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. Co-defendant, Wesley

Bonner, previously pled guilty to the charges against him and is awaiting sentencing on January 11,

2007.

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